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ELIMINATION OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION

MONITORING THE TRANSITION TO DEMOCRACY IN SOUTH AFRICA

Note by the Secretary-General

1. In its resolution 1994/3 of 12 August 1994, the Subcommission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities requested Ms. Judith Sefi Attah, Special Rapporteur on monitoring the transition to democracy in South Africa, to present her second and final report to the Commission on Human Rights at its fifty-first session and to the Subcommission at its forty-seventh session.

2. At its fifty-first session, the Commission on Human Rights, in its resolution 1995/9 of 17 February 1995, having taken note of the final report of the Special Rapporteur of the Subcommission (E/CN.4/1995/24), expressed its appreciation to the Special Rapporteur for the important role she had played in support of the efforts to eliminate apartheid in South Africa and to establish a non-racial society in the country. The Commission considered that the mandate of the Special Rapporteur had been successfully concluded, and decided to terminate it as at the date of adoption of its resolution 1995/9. The Commission further decided to remove from its agenda, as of its fifty-second session, the item entitled "Monitoring and assisting the transition to democracy in South Africa".

3. In pursuance of Subcommission resolution 1994/3, the Secretary-General is transmitting to the Subcommission the final report on monitoring the transition to democracy in South Africa prepared by the Special Rapporteur (E/CN.4/1995/24).

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